

## RESOLUTION 20-\_\_

### RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO THE GLOBAL COVID-19 OUTBREAK

**WHEREAS**, the California Emergency Services Act, Chapter 7, of the California Government Code, commencing with § 8550 confers upon the governing bodies of the political subdivisions of this state emergency powers necessary to protect health and safety and preserve lives and property;

**WHEREAS**, § 8630 of the California Government Code, states that "a local emergency may be proclaimed only by the governing body of a county, city and county, or city or by an official so designated by ordinance adopted by such governing body;"

**WHEREAS**, Loomis Municipal Code, Chapter 6.04 empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a Local Emergency when this Town is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Town Council is not in session, subject to ratification by the Town Council within seven days and reaffirmation every 14 days thereafter until such local emergency is terminated; and,

**WHEREAS**, Town of Loomis Municipal Code, Chapter 6.04 empowers the Director of Emergency Services to request that the Town Council proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a Local Emergency when this Town is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) considers the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) to be a very serious public health threat with outcomes ranging from mild sickness to severe illness and death; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 is easily transmissible from person to person and has spread globally, infected more than 167,000, and killed more than 6,000 individuals as of March 17, 2020 per the World Health Organization; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public emergency for COVID-19 beginning on January 27, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 3, 2020, the County of Placer declared a local health emergency and a local emergency related to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency in the State of California due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20, ordering that residents are to heed any orders and guidance of state and local public health officials to control the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, President Trump issued a declaration of national emergency concerning COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the health, safety, and welfare of West Sacramento residents, businesses, visitors, and staff is of utmost importance to the City, and additional future measures may be needed to protect the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Emergency Services of the Town of Loomis has found that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen with the Town, caused by the COVID 19 pandemic, commencing on or about March 17, 2020; and,

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020 the Director of Emergency Services determined that the aforesaid conditions warranted and necessitated that he proclaim the existence of a local emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council does hereby find that the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril did warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the Town Council of the Loomis, State of California.

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the Town shall be those prescribed by state law, and by ordinance and resolutions of this Town approved by the Town Council, and by the *Town of Loomis Emergency Operations Plan*, as approved by the Town Council; and,

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that in the event the Director is unavailable to attend meetings and otherwise perform duties during this emergency, that the order of succession shall be Public Works Director Britton Snipes, who is hereby designated as Assistant Director of Emergency Services.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Director of the Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020 by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

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Jan Clark-Crets, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Crickett Strock, Town Clerk